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Dear Regional Administrator Brooks,

Thank you for your letter of February 9, 2015, updating our office on the EPA's recent directive regarding the Bridgeton Landfill / Westlake site. As you'll recall, completing a comprehensive radiological characterization of the site was one of the three action items discussed at our last meeting, and we appreciate the progress update and your assurance that the work will proceed on an enforceable schedule.

We note also that, consistent with the second action item, EPA has secured Bridgeton Landfill's agreement to maintain soil corings and make them available for EPA's intended pyrolysis testing. Our recollection was that EPA expected that testing to require five to six months to complete. Please keep us up to date on the progress of that testing.

Finally, our colleagues from the Army Corps of Engineers suggested at our meeting that an EVOH cover and gas extraction system could be explored as a potential method to capture radon emissions that might occur as a consequence of the subsurface fire at the landfill. As a third action item, we asked that EPA, in conjunction with the ACOE, analyze the feasibility and probable effectiveness of installing such a system at the Bridgeton Landfill / Westlake site. Please let us know where things stand on that analysis.

We understand that scientific testing takes time to properly conduct. Yet, as we have indicated before, the people of Missouri, particularly those who live, work, and go to school near the landfill, are troubled by uncertainty surrounding the site and are eager

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